



Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 17

Meeting Date: March 21, 2014

Meeting Location: Memorial Hospital Southside Office

Council Members Present: RM Susan Lesko, Melinda Berry, Lisa Smith, Amy Tempel, Nancy Rennie, Darlene McBride, Kimberly Donnelly, Melissa Lueken, and Judge Ellis.

Council Members Absent: Cheryl Hillenburg, Melisa Tye, Judge Weikert, Judge Dartt, Sandra Bowman, Maureen Lambeck, Judge Weikert, and David Galloway.

Others In Attendance: Jessica Richardson, John Schroder, Haley Droste, Micci Frye, Leslie Rowland, Ashley Manship, Megan Whitehead, Mike Singleton, Ann Hecht, and Jeff Gray.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order at: 8:35 AM by RM Lesko. Roll call was held.

RM Lesko asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes from the previous meeting. Council member Nancy Rennie made a motion to approve the meetings minutes and council member Amy Tempel seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as read.

RM Lesko introduced to the council Susan Ford who is the new director in Martin County and Ashley Manship FCM supervisor in Dubois County.

Programs/Committee Report

Community Partners: Haley Droste with IHBS gave a summary of the referrals for the month of February 28, 2014. As of February 28, 2014 a total of 89 open cases are currently being serviced through Community Partners for Child Safety in Region 17.

In the month of February, a total of 44 new referrals were made for consideration and 37 were serviced.

Of the referrals, three came from Crawford County, twelve came from Daviess County, eight came from Dubois County, three came from Martin County, eight came from Orange County, four came from Perry County and six came from Spencer County.

Sources of the referrals (Partners) for this month included the Daviess County DCS, Dubois County DCS, Martin County DCS, Orange County DCS, Perry County DCS, Spencer County DCS, Lena Dunn Elementary School, Southern Hills, Jasper Middle School, Crawford County Jr/Sr High School, Paoli Jr/Sr High School, Throop Elementary School, Spring Valley Elementary School, American Psychological Center, Spencer County Community Corrections, Heritage Hills Middle School and self-referrals.

Closing Report: January-March 2014

102 total referrals

77 closed service cases

77 closed successfully 100%

Average 86.93 days open

Average 19.54 hours work per case

Haley informed council they continue to get the word out by advertising. Hailey stated there will be a job fair in April in Perry County.

Referrals have been rolling in could be due to the very hard winter we are having.

Haley stated every quarter IHBS invite 10-15 families that have recently completed the Community Partners Program to attend a Parent Involvement night at their Huntingburg office. This is an opportunity for them to obtain feedback from families who have participated in the program. They provide each family with a region wide resource guide, parenting education information, and a CP brochure with IHBS contact information. IHBS also presents each family with a \$10 Wal-Mart gift card for attending and they have a drawing for a \$20 Wal-Mart gift card as a door prize. Snacks, refreshments are provided and transportation if necessary.

Budget: Haley informed council as of 2-28-14 they were running 5.3% over their targeted budget. The target budget percentage was 67% and IHBS came in at 72.3%. Because of this they have put a two hour cap in place which means staff is

trying not to exceed more than two hours of face to face time per case per week. The two hour cap would not apply in an emergency or crisis situation.

Period of Purple Crying: IHBS is making contact with providers. Memorial Hospital has begun implementing the program. Local hospital and doctors are interested but still need to do the online training.

Regional Services Coordinator's Report: Micci Frye reported Associates in Counseling and Psychotherapy is a new provider for Region 17. Their home office is in New Albany with a satellite office in Paoli and another office will eventually be in Evansville. They will do D&E and want to expand their services. They will do DA, Substance Abuse Assessment and Treatment, Home Based Therapy, and Home Based Casework. They are working on becoming Medicaid approved. Darlene McBride made a motion to approve this provider for Region 17 and Amy Tempel seconded the motion. Council approved.

Micci informed the Council FCT (Families Centered Treatment) is up and running. All FCT referrals go to Micci. Kris Mann with IHBS will give an update at the next RSC meeting.

Practice Model: Darlene McBride informed council the 1st quarter in-service was completed for FCM's on Collaborative Care March 4th and March 5th. There are two new facilitators, and new peer coaches are being trained.

Regional Finance Manager:

Finance Manager John Schroder stated Region 17 is over budget with increases in FH placements and Prevention Services.

Regional Foster Care Specialist:

Melissa Lueken informed the Council the Foster Parent Appreciation dinner will be on May 10, 2014 at Central Christian Church in Huntingburg.

Melissa informed the Council there are new recruitment ideas the FCS are looking forward to implementing.

Fatherhood Initiative Program:

Mike Singleton with IHBS stated there are 17 open cases at this time in Region 17.

Dubois 8	Orange 1
Perry 3	Martin 1

Spencer 3

Daviess 1

Old Business: None

New Business: RM Lesko informed the Council that Director Bonaventura will be visiting Region 17 on March 17, 2014.

RM Lesko stated our Quality Service Reviews (QSR) will be in June of this for Region 17.

Public Testimony/Announcement: None

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time: A motion was made by council member Nancy Rennie to adjourn and seconded by council member Amy Tempel. The next meeting will be held on May 16, 2014. It will start at 8:30 A.M. EST and will be held at the Dubois County DCS office. The Dubois County office is located at 1045 Wernsing Rd, Jasper, IN.

Meeting adjourned at: 9:45 A.M.